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## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-12 are pending. By this Amendment, the continuity data is added to the specification.

Please note that claims 1-12 correspond to claims 31-42 from the parent application, which were non-elected claims as a result of a Restriction Requirement in the parent application.

In addition, the Examiner is requested to consider the references identified in the attached Information Disclosure Statement. These references were considered during prosecution of the parent application.

Examination and allowance in due course are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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